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SUBJ: EVACUATION OF EXPATRIATES FROM KOLWEZI (SITREP 1)

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1. ALAN MUNRO, HEAD OF FCO EAST AFRICA DEPARTMENT AND  
DIRECTOR OF HMG EMERGENCY TASK FORCE ON KOLWEZI EVACUA-  
TION, HAS PROVIDED FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON BRITISH  
EVACUATION EFFORT AS OF 1200Z MAY 20.

2. UK OPERATING AS ADJUNCT TO BELGIAN EVACUATION EFFORT,  
PROVIDING SECOND ECHELON LIFT FROM KAMINA TO LUSAKA FOR  
CASUALTIES OR OTHERS WHO PREFER EVACUATION BY BRITISH  
RATHER THAN BELGIAN MEANS OR ROUTE. BELGIANS  
RESPONSIBLE FOR INITIAL LIFT FROM KOLWEZI TO KAMINA,  
AND BRITISH HAVE NO INTENTION OF GOING INTO KOLWEZI.  
SATISFACTORY COMMUNICATIONS ESTABLISHED WITH BELGIAN  
FORCES IN ZAIRE VIA EUCOM STUTTGART.

3. RAF HAS DESPATCHED THREE C-130S AND ONE VC-10 WITH  
TWO COMPLETE MEDICAL TEAMS TO LUSAKA WITH FULL COOPERA-  
TION ZAMBIAN AUTHORITIES AND AFTER OBTAINING PROMPT  
OVERFLIGHT CLEARANCES FROM EGYPT AND SUDAN. C-130S  
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STILL ON WAY, BUT VC-10 HAS BEEN TO LUSAKA AND IS  
EXPECTED MOMENTARILY AT KAMINA TO PICK UP FIRST LOAD  
OF PATIENTS/PASSENGERS FOR WHAT IS EXPECTED TO BE REGU-  
LAR SHUTTLE BETWEEN KAMINA AND LUSAKA IN OPERATION THIS  
AFTERNOON, TOMORROW AND AS LONG AS NECESSARY. FRENCH  
AND BELGIANS IN KOLWEZI REPORTING "SUBSTANTIAL"  
CASUALTIES BUT SO FAR ONLY FORTY-FOUR CONFIRMED

EUROPEAN DEAD. ARRIVAL OF VC-10 IN KAMINA WILL PROVIDE  
FIRST INDEPENDENT BRITISH SITREP.

4. MEDICAL FACILITIES AND EMERGENCY HOUSING IN LUSAKA  
REPORTEDLY INADEQUATE. IF INITIAL SHUTTLE RUNS  
DEMONSTRATE NEED, UK WILL PROBABLY PROVIDE FIELD  
HOSPITAL AT LUSAKA AIRPORT.

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